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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : SUNDREHAGEN et al. Confirmation No: 7142
Appl. No. : 09/417,226
Filed : October 13, 1999
Title : HOLO TRANSCOBALAMIN II ASSAY

TC/A.U. : 1645
Examiner : J. Hines

Docket No.: : SUND3003/REF
Customer No: : 23364

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for THREE (3) months to July 23, 2004.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(c) for a three month extension of time is \$475.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Small entity status has been established. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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